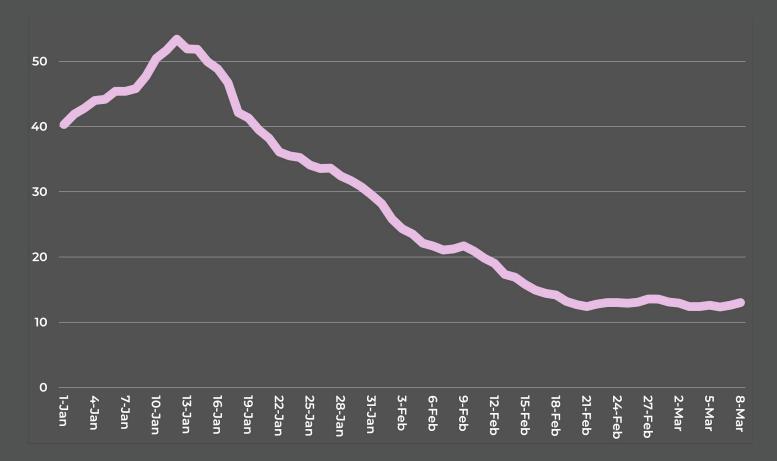
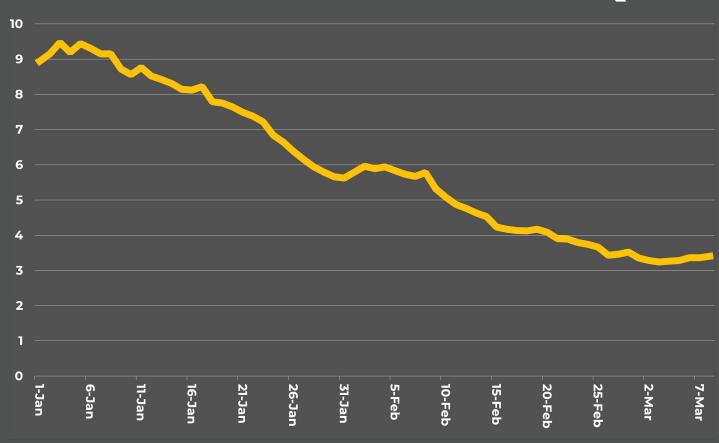
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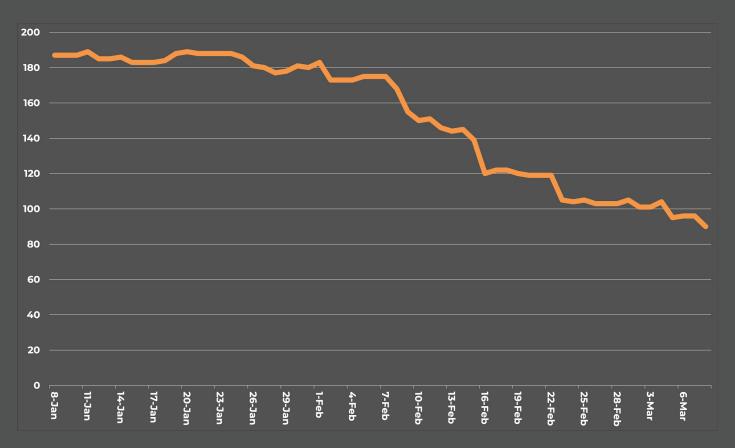
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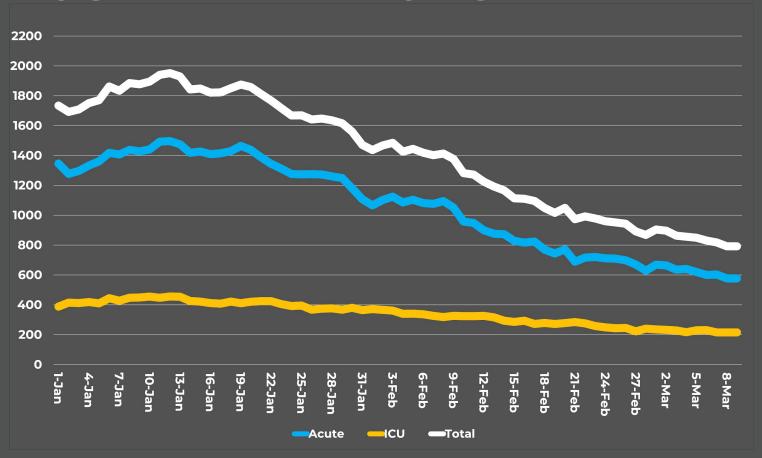
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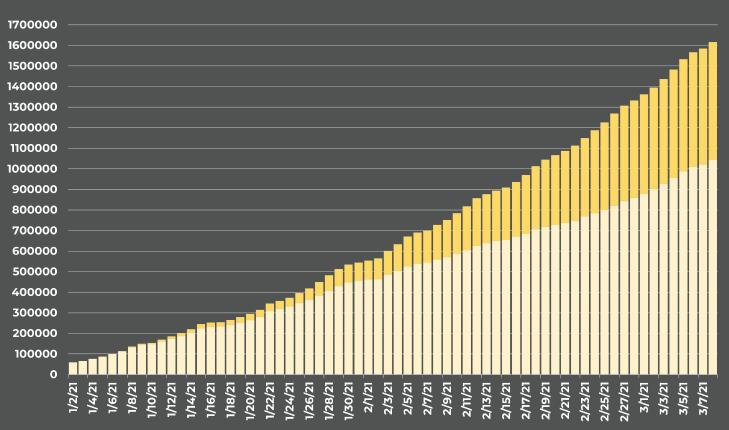
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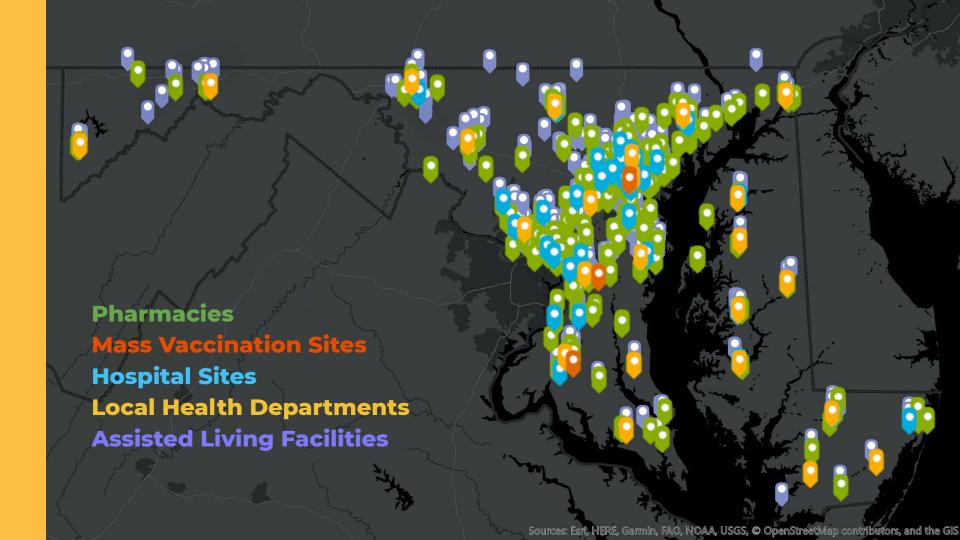
# 8 MILLION TESTS 1.6 MILLION VACCINES

#### **VACCINES ADMINISTERED**



#### **VACCINATION PROGRESS**

- Vaccination rate higher than 36 other states
- More administered than 31 other states
- More for long-term care facilities than 37 other states
- Above national average for first and second doses
- Best in America for administering J&J



#### MASS VACCINATION SITES

- Western Maryland site in Hagerstown will open one week early on March 25
- We will now have mass sites operating in every region of the state

#### **EFFECTIVE MARCH 12 AT 5 PM**

- Capacity limits lifted on outdoor and indoor dining at restaurants and food service establishments
- Seated and distanced service only—crowding in bars not permitted

#### **EFFECTIVE MARCH 12 AT 5 PM**

 Capacity limits lifted on retail, religious facilities, fitness centers, casinos, personal services, indoor recreational establishments

#### **EFFECTIVE MARCH 12 AT 5 PM**

- Large outdoor and indoor venues may expand to 50% capacity
- Includes conference and wedding venues, concert venues, conventions, theaters, racing facilities, and other outdoor entertainment and sporting venues

# Masking, physical distancing, and other safety measures remain in place.

#### **ADDITIONAL ACTIONS**

 Medical adult day care centers may reopen with facilities able to set restrictions and safety measures

#### **ADDITIONAL ACTIONS**

- Lifting quarantine requirements and other restrictions on out-of-state travel
- Testing strongly encouraged for out-of-state travelers

#### **CONTINUED PRECAUTIONS**

- Telework still strongly encouraged where possible
- Outside activity safer than indoor activity

#### **CONTINUED PRECAUTIONS**

- Statewide masking order remains in full effect
- At any public indoor facility, when using public transportation, and in outdoor public areas where physical distancing is impossible

#### **CONTINUED PRECAUTIONS**

- Individual Marylanders and businesses must continue to follow the public health guidance to keep us on the road to recovery.
- Let's continue to be smart.

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